

International Agricultural Relations Internship | Summer 2021 Panama City, Panama

Position Summary

International Agricultural Relations Internship
Sponsored by the Nebraska Corn Board (NCB) and the U.S. Grains Council (USGC)

About

This international internship is a partnership between the USGC and the NCB. The internship will likely take place at the USGC Panama City international office (or comparable international destination). The goal of this internship is to expose a student to the following: issues related to global trade of food and agricultural products, the activities of the NCB and its collaboration with USGC in their overseas efforts, and potential opportunities in ag and global trade that will benefit Nebraska corn farmers by helping to create new markets and demand for Nebraska corn.

The intern will be mentored and assigned responsibilities on a day-to-day basis by USGC staff and will communicate back to Nebraska Corn Board staff on activities and programs.

Student interns will obtain a working knowledge of the following:

- International office operations of the USGC
- Inter-relationships of agriculture and other ag industry groups in the host country
- Trade policies in the host country and how they affect the U.S. and other countries
- Knowledge of international trade policy, market development, value of international trade, global food security, grain supply and reliability, biotechnology, and much more.

Timeline

Mid-May through Mid-August 2021, for at least 10 consecutive weeks on location

Duties & Responsibilities

- Support efforts of the USGC leadership in the host country
- Hands-on work with international trade groups as assigned
- Assist with coordinating visits of international trade teams
- Represent USGC as assigned in meetings and report back to USGC

Qualifications

- Students must be fluent in the Spanish language.
- Students must be a junior status or above (including graduate students) at a Nebraska college or University.
- Students can be enrolled in any major; including agribusiness/agricultural economics/agricultural leadership/international studies/international business/international law/international policy or other related fields focusing on international issues
- Agricultural background beneficial but not required
- Proven abilities in written and verbal forms of communications
- Experience with international travel beneficial
- Preference will be given to students attending a college or university in Nebraska

Recommended Coursework

Agricultural Economics, Ag Policy, International Agriculture/Marketing and Communications, International Business, International Law, International Policy, Foreign Language, Trade and Finance, World Food Economics

Opportunity for Intern Credit Hours

Students can work with the University to receive credit hours for this internship.

Stipend

Intern will receive a cost of living stipend which will be paid to the student through the USGC. Nebraska Corn Board. Safe and affordable housing will be suggested by the USGC staff.

Application Process

- 1. Student must submit a cover letter addressing the following:
 - a. Interest in the international internship
 - b. How this internship would benefit your career interests
 - A brief explanation of three (3) issues concerning the global ag trade marketplace today
- 2. Resume, cover letter and three references should be sent to:

International Internship Nebraska Corn Board 301 Centennial Mall South, 4th Floor P.O. Box 95107 Lincoln, NE 68509

3. Resume, cover letter and three references may also be accepted by e-mail, sent to kurtis.harms@nebraska.gov

Students must submit resume, references, and cover letter to the Nebraska Corn Board by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 6, 2020.